

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1           1. (Previously presented) A fitted sheet for a mattress comprising a rectangular panel  
2           of knit material having a central rectangular area extending from one end of said panel to the  
3           other end thereof, and side margins flanking said central area from one end of said central  
4           area to the other end thereof, said side margins being folded under said central area and joined  
5           thereto by seams extending across each end of said central rectangular area, characterized in  
6           that said seams at each end of said central rectangular area are arcuate.

1           2. (Original) The sheet of claim 1, further characterized in that said seams are  
2           symmetrical about a mid-line of said central area that runs from end to end thereof.

1           3. (Original) The sheet of claim 2, further characterized in that on each side of said  
2           mid-line of said central area, at each end of said sheet, said seam curves downwardly toward a  
3           folded side edge of said sheet.

1           4. (Original) The sheet of claim 3, further characterized in that said seam is flatter near  
2           said mid-line, and more convex near said folded side edge of said sheet.

1           5. (Original) A fitted sheet for a mattress comprising a rectangular panel of knit  
2           material having a central rectangular area extending from one end of said panel to the other  
3           end thereof, and side margins flanking said central area, said side margins being folded under  
4           said central area and joined thereto by seams extending across each end of said central  
5           rectangular area, characterized in that said rectangular panel of knit material has side edges  
6           that are not finished, and at the end of said sheet, said seams are sewn directly over said  
7           unfinished edges.

1           6. (Currently amended) A fitted sheet for a mattress comprising a rectangular panel of  
2           knit material having a central rectangular area extending from one end of said panel to the  
3           other end thereof, and side margins flanking said central area, said side margins being folded  
4           under said central area and joined thereto by seams extending across each end of said central  
5           rectangular area.

6           wherein said rectangular panel of knit material has side edges that are not finished,  
7           and at the end of said sheet, said seams are sewn directly over said unfinished edges, and

8           ~~The sheet of claim 5, further characterized in that~~ wherein said unfinished edge is  
9           rolled into a curled edge prior to being sewn flat.

1           7. (Original) The sheet of claim 6, further characterized in that said rectangular panel  
2           of knit material is fabricated from a tube of knit material that has been slit and opened to form  
3           a rectangle with cut edges.

1           8. (Original) The sheet of claim 7, further characterized in that said cut edge, in a  
2           finished sheet, is curled under into itself.

1           9. (Original) A sheet as claimed in claim 1, including a loop or length of material  
2           extending from the seam at one end of the sheet.

1           10. (Previously presented) A method of making a fitted sheet, comprising the steps of:

- 2           i)       cutting a predetermined length of a tube of knit fabric;  
3           ii)       slitting said length of fabric along its length in a straight line from end  
4           to end;  
5           iii)       arranging said fabric so that the slit edges of said fabric are folded over  
6           onto the main body of said fabric; and  
1           iv)       sewing a seam across each end of the fabric, thereby to join the folded-  
2           over edges of the fabric to the main body thereof in a folded over state,  
3           wherein said slit edges are sewn to said main body in an unfinished

4 state, wherein said slit edges are curled inwardly before being seamed  
5 to said main body of said fabric.

11. (Cancelled)

1 12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, wherein said slit edges are curled  
2 inwardly before being seamed to said main body of said fabric.

1 13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said seams are generally convexly  
2 arcuate.

1 14. (Original) A method of making a fitted sheet comprising the steps of:

- 2 i) cutting a predetermined length of a tube of knit fabric;  
3 ii) slitting said tube of fabric along an edge thereof, from end to end;  
4 iii) cutting a shallow corner from each end of said tube of fabric, at the slit  
5 side thereof, from first points on the cut edge near the end, to second  
6 points on the end, near the folded-over mid-line of the slit tube of  
7 fabric;  
8 iv) opening the fabric, and folding the side margins thereof inwardly so  
9 that at each corner thereof, the said first points are laid on top of the  
10 said second points; and  
11 v) sewing a seam across the top and bottom ends of the fabric, to join the  
12 folded-over margins to the main body of the sheet.

1 15. (Original) The method of claim 14, wherein when said seam is sewn, the cut edge  
2 of said fabric is curled in, and sewn flat in the curled-in condition.

1 16. (Original) A sheet as claimed in claim 2, including a loop or length of material  
2 extending from the seam at one end of the sheet.

1           17. (Original) A sheet as claimed in claim 3, including a loop or length of material  
2           extending from the seam at one end of the sheet.

1           18. (Original) A sheet as claimed in claim 4, including a loop or length of material  
2           extending from the seam at one end of the sheet.

1           19. (Original) A sheet as claimed in claim 5, including a loop or length of material  
2           extending from the seam at one end of the sheet.

1           20. (Original) A sheet as claimed in claim 6, including a loop or length of material  
2           extending from the seam at one end of the sheet.